

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:

FRANCHISE GROUP, INC., *et al.*,¹

Debtors.

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) Chapter 11

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) Case No. 24-12480 (LSS)

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) (Jointly Administered)

MOTION AND ORDER FOR ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE*

Pursuant to Local Rule 9010-1 and the attached certification, counsel moves for the admission *pro hac vice* of Joshua A. Sussberg, P.C. of Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP to represent the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession in these chapter 11 cases and any related adversary proceedings.

¹ The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of their U.S. federal tax identification numbers, to the extent applicable, are Franchise Group, Inc. (1876), Freedom VCM Holdings, LLC (1225), Freedom VCM Interco Holdings, Inc. (2436), Freedom Receivables II, LLC (4066), Freedom VCM Receivables, Inc. (0028), Freedom VCM Interco, Inc. (3661), Freedom VCM, Inc. (3091), Franchise Group New Holdco, LLC (0444), American Freight FFO, LLC (5743), Franchise Group Acquisition TM, LLC (3068), Franchise Group Intermediate Holdco, LLC (1587), Franchise Group Intermediate L, LLC (9486), Franchise Group Newco Intermediate AF, LLC (8288), American Freight Group, LLC (2066), American Freight Holdings, LLC (8271), American Freight, LLC (5940), American Freight Management Company, LLC (1215), Franchise Group Intermediate S, LLC (5408), Franchise Group Newco S, LLC (1814), American Freight Franchising, LLC (1353), Home & Appliance Outlet, LLC (n/a), American Freight Outlet Stores, LLC (9573), American Freight Franchisor, LLC (2123), Franchise Group Intermediate B, LLC (7836), Buddy's Newco, LLC (5404), Buddy's Franchising and Licensing LLC (9968), Franchise Group Intermediate V, LLC (5958), Franchise Group Newco V, LLC (9746), Franchise Group Intermediate BHF, LLC (8260), Franchise Group Newco BHF, LLC (4123), Valor Acquisition, LLC (3490), Vitamin Shoppe Industries LLC (3785), Vitamin Shoppe Global, LLC (1168), Vitamin Shoppe Mariner, LLC (6298), Vitamin Shoppe Procurement Services, LLC (8021), Vitamin Shoppe Franchising, LLC (8271), Vitamin Shoppe Florida, LLC (6590), Betancourt Sports Nutrition, LLC (0470), Franchise Group Intermediate PSP, LLC (5965), Franchise Group Newco PSP, LLC (2323), PSP Midco, LLC (6507), Pet Supplies "Plus", LLC (5852), PSP Group, LLC (5944), PSP Service Newco, LLC (6414), WNW Franchising, LLC (9398), WNW Stores, LLC (n/a), PSP Stores, LLC (9049), PSP Franchising, LLC (4978), PSP Subco, LLC (6489), PSP Distribution, LLC (5242), Franchise Group Intermediate SL, LLC (2695), Franchise Group Newco SL, LLC (7697), and Educate, Inc. (5722). The Debtors' headquarters is located at 109 Innovation Court, Suite J, Delaware, Ohio 43015.

Dated: February 14, 2025
Wilmington, Delaware

/s/ Allison S. Mielke

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CERTIFICATION BY COUNSEL TO BE ADMITTED *PRO HAC VICE*

Pursuant to Local Rule 9010-1, I certify that I am eligible for admission to this Court, am admitted, practicing, and in good standing as a member of the Bar of the State of New York, and am admitted to practice before the United States Court of Appeals for the Second and Fifth Circuits, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and Northern District of Illinois, and submit to the disciplinary jurisdiction of this Court for any alleged misconduct which occurs in the preparation or course of this action. I also certify that I am generally familiar with this Court's Local Rules and with Standing Order for District Court Fund revised 12/21/23. I further certify that the fee of \$50.00 has been paid to the Clerk of Court for District Court.

Dated: February 14, 2025

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ORDER GRANTING MOTION

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED counsel's motion for admission *pro hac vice* is granted.

Dated: February 18th, 2025
Wilmington, Delaware


LAURIE SELBER SILVERSTEIN
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE